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Double sword: to get empty homes back into use and to claw back £60,000 lost in Government tax grants

COUNCIL IN HOMES BID

By Oliver Evans

COUNCIL tax discounts in North Oxfordshire are to be scaled back in a bid to get hundreds of empty homes back into use.

Cherwell District Council is set to join other county authorities in taking on new powers to remove or cut discounts.

It is hoped the move will also claw back £60,000 needed to make up a cut in Government cash support.

The change will cut the 100 per cent six-month discount on empty and unfurnished homes to 25 per cent, netting an estimated £52,457.

Since April, some 14,241 exemptions have been granted for such properties, though these are often for short periods.

The council also wants to axe the ten per cent discount on second homes, expected to save £3,785. Some 356 exemptions were given this year.

Uninhabitable homes would also get a 50 per cent reduction for 12 months instead of 100 per cent, saving £4,625. There were 343 exemptions this year.

Yet the council has said it will not take on a 150 per cent "premium" for homes empty longer than two years.

Lead member for financial management Ken Attack said of empty homes: "It is wasteful in a society where we have got people without accommodation."

"We are right to push ahead and encourage people to bring homes back into use."

But a premium would be "over-zealous" he said.

From April 1, councils will have to make their own arrangements for council tax benefit payments, but with ten per cent less

Government cash. Cherwell said the £60,867 raised by changing exemptions would cover this.

It would have the power to exclude some people from the benefit, but this would not happen this year. Next year's policy has not been set.

Liberal Democrat group leader Tim Emptage said: "If that means people who have a second home have to pay a bit more, then so be it. I think that is entirely fair."

The district has long been plagued by a lack of affordable homes and some 1,800 people are on its waiting list.

But it last year revealed there were 326 empty homes in Banbury. Campaign group Homes From Empty Homes put this at 1,508 in Cherwell.

Labour group leader Patrick Cartledge was not available for comment.

George Philip, a partner at Strutt & Parker estate agents in Banbury, said: "It is just another way of getting more tax in from the better off."

"Of course it will encourage people to get homes back on the market to be let as quickly as possible and maybe make them a bit better organised."

Yet landlords may put off home improvements to get properties on the market, he said.

The council will be asked to approve the changes on Monday night.

Alice Cooper to headline at Cropredy festival



A POPULAR folk festival isn't the sort of place you would expect to see famous hellraiser Alice Cooper.

But the shock-rocker is set to headline the opening day of Fairport's Cropredy Convention later this year.

It is expected to be Cooper's only UK public appearance during the year.

Fairport's Cropredy Convention takes place from Thursday, August 8, to Saturday, August 10.

Tickets will go on sale on February 1 from Fairport's online box office at fairportconvention.com

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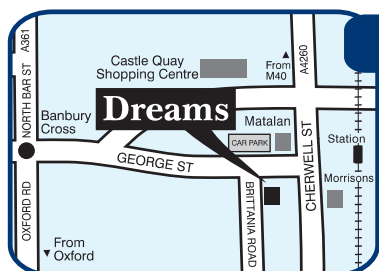


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Ofsted inspection report tells school that it 'needs to improve'

ST JOSEPH'S Primary School, in Fiennes Road, Banbury, is the latest county school to be told it needs to improve.

The school was given the judgement in a recent Ofsted inspection.

While behaviour and safety of pupils were deemed "good", all other areas were given the "requires improvement" rating.

In the report, it said pupils' progress had varied widely in recent years, and had been slowed by frequent staff

changes, while teaching was "good" or "better".

The school was told the two acting deputy headteachers were leading the school effectively, supported by a "resilient and positive staff".

The school has 203 pupils.

● Hardwick and Arden Pre-school has been given a "good" Ofsted rating.

The pre-school, based at Hardwick Community Centre, Banbury, has 46 children, aged three to five.

Inspectors said all children had made good progress and achieved well.

● A residential special school, which provides an education for boys with autism, Asperger's syndrome and other learning difficulties, has been given an "outstanding" rating for its boarding provision.

Swalcliffe Park School, Swalcliffe, provides education and care for up to 57 boys, aged from 11 to 19, 33 of whom live at school during term-time.

Ofsted inspector Clare Davies said children made excellent progress in all aspects of development, grew in confidence and attained skills in independence, to help prepare them for life after school.

She said the residential provision was "extremely well-organised and managed" and described the school as ambitious, keen to embrace new initiatives and take action for the benefit of the youngsters in its care.

■ Tragic parents plan event on birthday date of son, Finnley

Fundraising day to be held in baby's memory



A COUPLE will hold their third fundraising day to mark what would have been their son's third birthday.

Gemma and Luke Froude will host the fun day on February 2, to raise funds in the memory of their baby, Finnley, who died aged just 18 weeks.

The tiny tot was born was born 12 weeks premature at the neonatal intensive care unit at Oxford's John Radcliffe Hospital in February 2010. He weighed just 1lb 4oz – less than a bag of sugar.

The youngster went on to weigh in at 7lb 14oz and Mr and Mrs Froude were hoping they would soon be able to take him home. But, in June 2010, he suffered complications with an infection in his heart and was not strong enough to survive.

Soon after Finnley was born, the couple started fundraising for SSNAP, the charity which supports the special care baby unit at the John Radcliffe Hospital. Since then they have raised more than £36,000.

The pair have held two previous Finnley's Days to mark his first and second birthdays,

By Banbury reporter

car boot sales, a film evening, and Mr Froude, 32, completed an abseil at the hospital and also runs a tuck shop at his work – Bibby, in Banbury.

Mrs Froude, 31, a Banbury's nursery manager, said: "This will be the third Finnley's Day and will mark what would have been Finnley's third birthday.

"We enjoy fundraising while at the same time raising awareness of the Neonatal Unit at the JR hospital.

"We also raise money in Finnley's memory. It is important because it keeps his memory alive and makes people aware of how amazing he was, and how amazing the unit, medical staff and SSNAP are."

Mr and Mrs Froude, of Appleby Close, Banbury, will stage the third annual Finnley Day at Banbury Town Hall, in Bridge Street, from 9am to 5pm.

It will include a prize draw, raffle, tombola, bouncy castle, stalls, face painting and this year there will be a children's colouring competition.

Banbury's mayor, Tony Ilott, will choose the winner on the day.

But in order to ensure the event is a success, they need donations of bottles, bric a brac, children's books and unwanted gifts for the tombola stall.

People can donate cash online.

For every £1 donated, a ticket will be entered into the prize draw. To enter view sponsorme.co.uk/bibby-lukefroude/finnleys-day-3.aspx

To donate items email finnleyfroude@hotmail.co.uk or call 07717 710262 or 07795 234292.

InBRIEF

Jobs lost at camera shops

■ STAFF at all five Jessops photography stores in Oxfordshire – including the branch at Castle Quay, Banbury – are to lose their jobs following the company's collapse. The high street firm went into administration last Thursday and the following day administrators, PricewaterhouseCoopers, announced the decision to close every store in the UK. Jessops would not say how many members of staff it had in Oxfordshire.

Home raided

■ A BURGLAR climbed through a broken window to steal cash and a laptop from a home in Hamilton Close, Banbury. The raid happened overnight between Wednesday and Thursday of last week. Call police on 101 with any information.

Show entries

■ ENTRIES are being sought for an It's a Knockout-style contest at this year's Banbury & District Show. Entries cost £136 for each team of eight at the Sunday June 9 show, to be held in Spiceball Park. Proceeds will go to the Rotary Club of Banbury. For tickets call Andrew Fairbairn 07711 142 887 or email andrew@whitecommercial.co.uk

Gemma and Luke Froude, who are planning to mark their late baby's birthday with a fundraising event in Banbury

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Staffing firm plans move to Banbury

A DIVISION of controversial staffing firm G4S is moving its HQ to Banbury.

Up to 120 staff from its integrated services arm will uproot from their current base at Broadway in Worcestershire, to a new office at Banbury Business Park to administer staff on contracts including transport, catering and cleaning.

A further 20 workers will come from the company's care and justice services and regional procurement divisions.

Bosses say some jobs may be created if some staff the decide against making the

move. Bob Taylor, managing director of G4S Integrated Services, said: "As several other G4S businesses will be moving, it makes sense for us to be consolidating our office accommodation.

"The new premises will offer lots of advantages for our staff, with improved facilities and better transport links to London."

The move is expected to be completed by May. G4S hit the headlines in the summer when it was criticised for failing to adequately supply more than 10,000 security staff for the London 2012 Olympics.

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Parishes in planning plea

■ **VIEWS are being sought on two village bids to take on new powers to influence planning applications. Adderbury and Hook Norton parish councils want to draw up neighbourhood development plans, setting out valued local assets. These would have to be considered by Cherwell District Council when it considers planning applications. The parish councils have applied to Cherwell to prepare the development plans, set up by the Government. Views are sought via planning.policy@cherwell-dc.gov.uk or cherwell.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplanning**

Fitness offer

■ **SEATED** keep fit classes, for people with mobility problems, are set to be launched in Banbury. People can drop in to try seated keep fit or boccia, a paralympic sport similar to seated bowls, at Horsefair Surgery, Southbar House, in Banbury, from now until February 21. The event takes place on Thursdays, between 12.45pm to 1.30pm for seated fitness and 1.30pm to 2.15pm for boccia. Details: phone 01295 221715 or email hazel.walsh@cherwell-dc.gov.uk

PC's surgery

■ **RESIDENTS can meet a member of their local police team tomorrow to discuss concerns. PC Paul Smith will be at St Mary's Church Of England Primary School, Southam Road, Banbury, from 3pm to 4pm.**

Plan returns

■ **A DEVELOPER** has moved to get final permission for a controversial scheme for 82 homes in Bodicote. Banner Homes has put in detailed plans for homes north west of Cotefield Farm to Chiltern District Council. The council threw out a previous application but this was overturned on appeal last year. The firm now needs further permission for details, such as layout and design. Granting the appeal, The Planning Inspectorate said there was "a clear justification" for homes as Chiltern was not hitting its house-building targets.

Hospitals launch new system to check patients for dementia

HOSPITALS across Oxfordshire are failing to collect data on the number of people being screened for dementia.

Their target is to check at least 90 per cent of emergency patients, aged 75 and over, for the condition within 72 hours of their admission to hospital.

But at a meeting of the Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust board, it was revealed that staff do not know if

the target is being met.

It was introduced by the Department of Health under its Commissioning for Quality and Innovation system.

The trust now plans to put in place a new records system so it can monitor the target by the end of the 2013/14 financial year.

This will involve making sure electronic records are kept, introducing

forms that require checks are completed, and improving training.

At the board meeting, Professor Sir John Bell said it was "really central" that the checks were put in place.

He said: "Everything that follows after you have seen a patient will be driven by whether a patient has dementia or not."

"We need to have a system that

screens everyone when they are 75 years or over."

The target is part of a framework which provides the trust with financial incentives for achieving certain standards.

Out of 20 targets rated, using a traffic-light scoring system, other targets screening was red, five other targets were amber and the rest were green.

Record numbers sign up early for the Town and Gown race

Family limbers up for a city fundraising run

A RECORD number of people have signed up to take part in the Oxford Town and Gown run in the first week of registration opening.

Already more than 250 people have registered to run the 10km race, far exceeding the usual number who sign up early.

The event, which raises money for the Muscular Dystrophy Campaign, is in its 32nd year, and will take place on Sunday, May 12, starting and finishing in Parks Road, Oxford.

The charity's events manager, Emma Jones-Parry, said: "It's really exciting to have record numbers this early."

"Usually they tend to drip feed,

By Fran Bardsley

but this year people seem ready to go. I think many tend to sign up and get enthused about it because of the history of it and also the route – because it's a good race to try to get a personal best time as it's quite flat."

Last year, more than 3,000 runners tackled the course, raising £100,000 for the cause.

Ethiopian runner Edao Weliy was the first to run the course in under 30 minutes.

This year organisers hope to raise a record-breaking £110,000.

For the first time, it is planned to make the race more of a family fun

day, with events planned in University Parks while runners pound the streets.

One family which will be taking part in a big way is Angela Dickson, her husband Paul, his sister Kelly Sambrook and Angela's friend, Kirsten Turner.

They are running because the Dicksons' nine-year-old son, John, has Duchenne muscular dystrophy. He is currently taking part in a clinical trial at Great Ormond Street Hospital, London, into a possible treatment for the disease.

Mrs Dickson, 36, who lives in Bledington, near Chipping Norton, said: "We have all done the Town and Gown before at different points – apart from Kelly who will be doing it for the first time. This will be the first time we've all run it together."

"It's brilliant because it's nice and flat and goes through the centre of Oxford."

"It's also good to know that everyone there is doing a little bit to help our son and every other little boy with the same condition."

Since Mr and Mrs Dickson first started fundraising for the Muscular

Dystrophy Campaign in 2006, they have raised around £10,000 for the cause.

For more details, and how to enter the event, visit townandgown10k.com



Town and gown launch. Angela Dickson, who is preparing to take part in the Oxford Town and Gown race, is pictured with her son, John OX56708

WHAT IS MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY AND THE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY CAMPAIGN?

MORE than 70,000 people in the UK have muscular dystrophy or a related neuromuscular condition.

The condition causes muscles to waste and weaken over time, making it more difficult for those affected to do simple tasks.

As well as legs and arms, muscular dystrophy can affect the heart and respiratory muscles.

There are currently no treatments or cures.

The Muscular Dystrophy Campaign funds research to find treatments and cures and provides information, advice and support for those with muscle-wasting conditions.

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Warning over firm's no-win, no-fee council tax offer

CHERWELL District Council has urged residents not to take up a company's offer to seek a cut in their council tax bill. The authority said some people had received letters from Manchester law firm Randall & Vickers offering to challenge council tax bands on a no-win-no-fee basis. Successful challenges would see the firm get a quarter of refunded cash, plus VAT, the council said.

The council said that residents could appeal to the Valuation Office Agency directly.

Lead member for finance Ken Attack said: "A number of concerned residents have contacted us, having been approached by this company."

He said: "There is absolutely no need to have to go through a third party to check this information."

Charity watchdog to meet RSPCA

THE UK's charity watchdog has said it will meet the RSPCA to discuss its "approach" to prosecutions after the animal welfare group took a Chipping Norton hunt to court.

The Charity Commission will meet the charity over concerns about its successful £326,000 prosecution of the Heythrop Hunt.

Peers and MPs were among those who raised concerns with the commission.

Commission spokesman Polly Kettenacker said: "We can confirm commission staff members will be meeting the charity this week."

"The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the charity's approach to prosecutions."

She said the watchdog was not investigating the charity and did not have regulatory concerns.

The hunt, along with members Julian Barnfield, 49, and Richard Sumner, 68, each admitted four counts of the classic fairytale – at Banbury Academy.



The Wiz cast:
Dorothy (Rosey Delarue), Scarecrow (Max Griffin), Lion (Ben Coleman) and Tin Man (Robbie Fell)
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On the path to the Yellow Brick Road

THESE amateur actors are off to see the wizard in a new production of a funky take on *The Wonderful Wizard Of Oz*.

Odyssey Theatrical Productions is to hold *The Wiz* – a soul-music version of the classic fairytale – at Banbury Academy.

Taking on the role of Dorothy is Bodicote dance instructor Rosey Delarue, 19.

She said: "It is fun. It is a role that every girl wants to play."

The non-profit making company was formed in 2011 to give young people and adults a chance to take to the

stage. She said: "They give you so much time. It has given me a lot of confidence."

The show will be held at Wykham Theatre at the academy, formerly Banbury School, on Friday and Saturday night and a Saturday matinee. See: ticketsource.co.uk/event/29845

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Staff thanked as more hospital beds are freed up Bedblockers: Praise as winter crisis hits

STAFF in Oxfordshire hospitals have been praised for reducing the number of bedblockers during the busiest period of the year.

Bedblockers are patients who are fit enough to be discharged but are stuck in hospital because the next phase of their care is not ready.

Earlier this month, all 1,200 main hospital beds across the county were full.

Some non-emergency operations were also cancelled, with Oxfordshire's NHS services under severe strain from winter health problems such as respiratory illnesses, flu and pneumonia.

Despite the "unprecedented" number of patients they had to deal with, the county's health workers have been thanked for the way they have worked together and reduced bedblockers.

In March last year, the

By Joe Nimmo and Andrew Ffrench

month's average bedblocking figure for the county was 191.

This was reduced to 115 by July and the average figure for last month was 100, although this total still needs to be confirmed by the Department of Health.

Trust bosses now aim to reduce the average figure to 76 by the end of March, but due to current high demand for beds they fear they could miss their target.

Paul Brennan, the trust's director of clinical services, said at the trust board meeting that he was not certain the target for bedblocking – known as delayed transfers of care – would be met.

He said: "We have made positive steps. But can I positively say by March that it will be 76? Not with the level of

activity coming through the doors.

"Despite a difficult period over the last couple of months, staff from across Oxfordshire's health and social care organisations have made a positive contribution to the reduction of delayed transfers of care."

"Thanks to the collaborative work of staff in Oxfordshire's acute hospitals, in community hospitals and social care teams, we have been able to reduce the number of patients who are waiting to leave either an acute or community hospital bed for the next stage of their care."

In September 2011, Dr Stephen Richards, chief clinical officer at Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group, said he was tackling the county's bedblocking crisis head-on.

It was announced a new Acceptable Care for Everyone board would for the first time oversee a pooled budget, and top clinicians looked at how to simplify patients' journeys between health bodies.

Following the latest figures, Dr Richards said: "I am encouraged by the number of patients staying too long in hospitals across Oxfordshire. It is a testament to the whole system working together."

"Everyone from GPs to South Central Ambulance Trust teams, to staff from across health and social care services, have all played their part and worked more closely and efficiently."

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InBRIEF

Police car in accident

■ A POLICE car was involved in a crash in Deddington while responding to an emergency on Monday. It collided with a red Nissan at around 2pm at a crossroads in the village. Both police officers were uninjured but the male driver in the Nissan was taken to the Horton Hospital, Banbury, as a precaution. Police were unable to say what emergency the police car was responding to.

Charity chief

■ THE new chief executive of youth homeless charity BYHP has said she is "delighted" to take on the post. Anna Day has replaced Clare Norton, who has left to become chief executive officer at Peter Bedford Housing Association, London. Miss Day, previously chief executive of Oxfordshire Children and Voluntary Youth Services, Oxford, said: "I am delighted to join BYHP at a critical juncture in the organisation's future, as we face record numbers of young people in crisis requiring our support. I look forward to being able to aid the charity in taking its brilliant work to new heights."

Children's classic tops the lending league

Revealed, most borrowed book

Story: Jamie Brooks

IT may be nearly 50 years old, but a classic children's picture book is the most borrowed library item in Oxfordshire this year.

Where the Wild Things Are was loaned out more this year than contemporary children's fiction like Harry Potter and all adult fiction.

Children's literature dominated the list of the five most frequently borrowed items in the year up to last November.

The statistics show that in the gadget-driven age children are still drawn to libraries.

The five most issued items – from November 26, 2011, to November 25, 2012 – were:

● Maurice Sendak, *Where The Wild Things Are*, 977 issues.

- Lee Child, *The Affair*, 858.
- Julia Donaldson, *Gruffalo*, 833.
- P. D. James, *Death comes to Pemberley*, 834.
- Martin Handford, *Where's Wally? The Fantastic Journey*, 823.

The top book, published in 1963 was both written and illustrated by Maurice Sendak. It has sold over 19 million copies worldwide.

It was adapted into a feature film in 2009.

Last year £172,178.26 was collected in fines in Oxfordshire, which compares to £189,703.35 the year before.

Oxfordshire County Council spokesman Martin Crabtree said: "The library service is largely free if you stick to the rules and

offers access to an almost unrivalled stock of books, films, newspapers, magazines. We actually try to make it as easy as possible to avoid generating fines."

A total of £49,327.74 was outstanding as of November 27, for items not returned in the previous six years.

This compares to £83,535.78 outstanding for returned items in the six years before that.

Mr Crabtree added: "Fines are there to encourage people to return their books on time or renew them, they are not intended as a way of making money."

People can now receive alerts and renew their books online when they are close to being due

back. This is one reason why the amount of fines owed, so we are not losing money in that sense.

"The amount collected outweighs the amount owed, so we are not losing money in that sense."

"Although we are actively looking at improving the rate at which people pay what they owe."

Borrowers who currently had accounts of £10 and over and were suspended from using the service totalled 9,564.

The top 10 amounts owed ranged between £134.80 and £233.

Other information revealed that as of November 27, there were 1,545 items which were lost. But lost items are not necessarily items which have not been returned – they are items which can't be found from routine shelf checks.



Rosie Hitchcox shows off some of the props from the Chipping Norton pantomime *Cinderella* that were put up for auction

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Panto props go under the hammer

BIDDERS got a bit of panto magic when they snapped up items used in a recent production of *Cinderella*.

On Sunday, Chipping Norton Theatre auctioned props and costumes from their recent production of the fairytale classic.

Lots that went under the hammer included a cucumber puppet, a toy dog and Cinderella's crystal gondola.

Witney MP and Prime Minister David Cameron and presenter Amanda Holden were among those who saw the Spring Street theatre's show.

Showing off some of the outfits was Rosie Hitchcox, 13, who said: "It was good and we sold quite a lot of stuff."

"It is a bit early to tell how much we raised but we hope it will be about £1,000 or so."

Drugs man faces threat of prison

A MAN aged 38 has been given a suspended sentence for possession of cocaine and cannabis.

Iqbal Zahir, of West Street, Banbury, was handed a three-month suspended sentence on Friday at Oxford Crown Court.

The chef admitted possession of ten grams of cannabis, a Class-B drug, which was found in his wallet on April 27, 2011.

He also confessed to possession of 38.8gm of extremely low purity cocaine, which is a Class-A drug. It was hidden in the boot of his car.

He was given a one-month suspended sentence for the cannabis offence and a three-month sentence for having the cocaine – to run concurrently.

He was also given a supervision order for 12 months.

New project in plea for help

A NEW neighbourhood watch-style project – to help return dementia sufferers to their homes – needs volunteers.

The Neighbourhood Return scheme will help carers find patients who

go missing, by creating a network of Good Samaritans to help with a search.

The project, believed to be first of its kind, was developed in Oxfordshire by Neighbourhood Watch, health and police bosses thanks to a £191,000 National Lottery grant.

Now after a six-week trial period, organisers say it is time for the project to go live. They are calling on people from every corner of the county to sign up.

The system uses a database on which carers can register a person's details, location, appearance and a photo.



Roger Stammers

If someone is found to have gone missing, their information can instantly be texted to all the volunteers with a mile of their last location, giving them the option to take part in a search.

It was devised with the help of local man Roger Stammers, whose wife, Isobel, began to wander off after the onset of Alzheimer's in 2004.

He said: "I wish this scheme had existed when my wife was wandering. She went missing on a number of occasions. It worried me so much."

"Trying to find her on my own was really difficult and stressful."

Deborah Ginns, the Neighbourhood Watch manager who runs the project, said all volunteers needed was a mobile phone.

She said: "We are appealing to everyone everywhere in Oxfordshire to sign up, no matter how little time they think they may have."

"We know that everyone is very busy, but the commitment is very small. You may never get a call, but if you do and you are free you might just help to save someone's life."

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Model railway enthusiasts stage club open day to attract new members

Chuffed at show response



Martyn Lester with O gauge LNER tank engine and, below left, Banbury Model Railway Club members Roger Shipway and Trevor Mayfield with their layout OX56668



ONE model railway enthusiast was coupling up his train carriage ready for a run on Sunday.

Banbury and District Model Railway Club held its first open Sunday of 2013, launching a recruitment drive for more members.

More than 20 people attended the event at Cherwell Business

Village on Southam Road, Banbury.

Showing his model train – an O-gauge London and North Eastern Railway tank engine – was Martyn Lester, 69, from Banbury.

The retired civil servant said: "We were looking to recruit more members and we were pleased with the positive response.

"We even had someone turn up

who had only lived in Banbury for three days, so we were happy with that.

"The train I was showing was made by my father when he was about 80. He too was a keen model railway enthusiast."

For more information contact club secretary Keith Bristow on 01295-252931 or visit bdmrc.co.uk

278 are arrested in festive campaign

A BANBURY man has been charged with recording the highest drink-drive reading during a festive clampdown by police.

Thames Valley Police arrested 278 drivers in December for drink-driving compared to 299 in the same month in 2011.

About six per cent of drivers tested were at least three times over the limit.

A total of 74 were arrested in Oxfordshire – including 19 in Cherwell.

Marcin Leja, of Rye Close, Banbury, was due to appear at Banbury Magistrates' Court yesterday, accused of having 168mg of alcohol in 100ml of breath, above the legal limit of 35mg.

The 33-year-old was arrested on December 12 at 11.30pm.

A/Supt Henry Parsons, head of Road Policing for Thames Valley and Hampshire, said: "It's really encouraging that we have seen a decrease in the number of people arrested for drink driving this year. However it is still disappointing to see that there are still people who are prepared to take that risk. Our message is that if you drink and drive, we will arrest you and put you before the courts."

Man is sent to prison for axe-handle attack

A BANBURY thug who hit a man in the face with an axe handle has started a seven-year prison sentence.

Barrie Potts, 27, struck Paul Williams, then 44, twice with the wooden handle of a pickaxe while his victim sat on his bed in his Gatteridge Street flat.

Potts, of Marlborough Road, Banbury, was convicted of causing grievous bodily harm with intent by a jury after a two-day trial at Oxford Crown Court. He had denied the August 2 crime at an earlier hearing in October.

Ahead of the sentencing, Kenneth Green, defending, said to the judge: "He is still 27. I'd like to think there is still some future for Barrie Potts.

"I would ask you to pass a sentence that does not really crush him. At 27 he still has a lot of life left to look forward to."

Potts had previous convictions for two common assaults, the court

heard. And Judge Patrick Eccles, sentencing, said to him: "You inflicted two blows to Mr Williams' face with a wooden pickaxe handle.

"He was in his own home at the time. He was sitting on his bed. He was defenceless and he had no reason to expect any attack at all, let alone one of this severity."

He said Potts' victim still suffered physical and psychological difficulties from the injuries.

He added: "There was no explanation for what happened. There is no remorse.

"I accept it was not a planned offence. It was an explosion of anger for some reason."

Potts was given a six-and-a-half-year jail term for the attack and six months for breaching a suspended sentence order.

Speaking after the hearing, prosecutor Jonathan Stone said Potts had struck Mr Williams while they were playing a drinking game.



Jailed: Barrie Potts

Plea for street collection volunteers

MENTAL health charity Oxfordshire Mind is looking for volunteers to help with street collections.

Collection days are held in towns across the county throughout the year.

The charity is also looking for donations for tombolas and raffles, and home-made cakes. To find out more contact Nicky Clargo at nicky.clargo@oxfordshire-mind.org.uk or telephone 01865 263733.

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in his success. "The truth is that it's not just the personal satisfaction that I get from doing a good job but also it makes good business sense. I get a huge amount of business from friends and family of people I've done work for, which just goes to show

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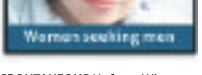
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County councillors meet for 11 hours to thrash out budget cuts of £46m

The big civic cuts debate

SAVINGS totalling £46m were scrutinised as councillors came together for meetings spanning 11 hours last Thursday.

Five scrutiny committees met back-to-back at County Hall to go over the council's financial plan for the next four years.

The extra savings were announced after central Government slashed the council's share of business rates by 12 per cent.

They will be made on top of £119m of savings the council committed to in 2011.

The largest chunk of the £46m of extra savings will come from the adult social care budget, a total of £18.5m.

Councillors and officers agreed preventative measures to keep older people out of costly care homes was a good way of saving money.

Liberal Democrat spokesman on adult services, Jenny Hannaby, said: "I think preventative measures is something we should be looking at very hard."

"Falls prevention is one example. I believe we used to have people going around to day centres to talk about preventing falls."

Council social and community services director John Jackson said the council was already using personal budgets to give people more choice when it comes to their care.

He said: "The reality is if we live long enough we will need care. This is an

By Freddie Whittaker

issue we all have an interest in unless we want an early death."

He said the council was dealing with "significant" pressures, adding that referrals to the council from hospitals had gone up by 26 per cent and the

number of assessments for care had gone up by 36 per cent in the past year.

He said: "The reality is we're an ageing population. We've seen a significant increase in demand."

He insisted the savings of £18.5m were "efficiencies" and added that an additional £4.3m of external funding was being introduced to the budget.

Labour's Gill Sanders added:

"Investment in early intervention can save an awful lot of money in the long run."

The area stewardship fund, a pot of cash divided between councillors for local highways works, is to be cut to save £1.09m.

Council leader Ian Hudspeth said

road maintenance schemes would still be carried out where needed and local people would still get a say. He said: "I found the area stewardship fund brilliant. I like it, but there have been some councillors who haven't been able to spend it in their areas."

"By doing it this way, we are actually re-profiling it so there's much more emphasis on maintenance."

An £80,000 saving in the fire service was also discussed.

The council expects to save £30,000 through reduced callouts for retained firefighters and £50,000 through a pensions loophole.

Lib Dem councillor John Goddard said he was pleased the library budget had emerged unscathed.

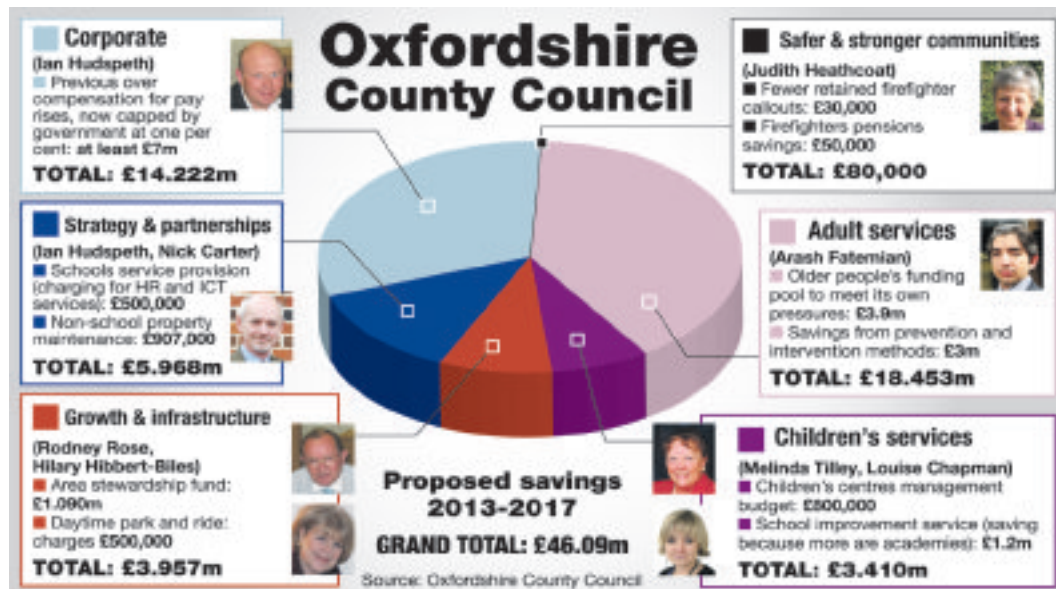
Last December, the council announced a plan to staff 21 of its libraries with the help of volunteers.

It came after a controversial plan to close some of them, to cut costs as part of the 2011 budget, was scrapped after public uproar.

He said: "I think it's sensible and good of the administration to keep the library budget as it was and there are no nasty shocks there either."

In the final meeting of the day, £5.9m of savings under the "strategy and partnerships" heading were discussed.

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■ New grant to help African and English schools learn a lesson from each other

Ugandan link to be re-forged

AN Oxfordshire school has won funding to take part in an initiative bringing together teachers from both sides of the globe.

In 2005, Sibford School, in Sibford Ferris, won funding from the British Council to take part in a twinning programme with the Mbarara Preparatory School in Western Uganda.

But after five years, numerous exchanges between teachers from both schools, and a visit from Sixth Form pupils in Banbury to the Ugandan school, the funding was no longer available.

The two schools remained in touch and now Sibford School has been awarded an annual grant of £1,500 to help further their links, as part of the new Connecting Classrooms initiative – a UK Government and British Council education programme aimed at linking schools around the world.

Sibford teacher Edward Rossiter, who was one of three teachers who visited Uganda with sixth form pupils in 2010, said: "It is a fantastic opportunity

By Fran Bardsley

to share teaching practices.

"It's easy to think we are in the developed world and we have got these things sorted out. But when you see the quality of education and learning, it is eye-opening – given the shortage of resources.

"There's an opportunity for staff to learn from Ugandan teachers and it is a similar opportunity for them to learn from us."

While the funding for the three-year project is just for teacher exchanges, the school hopes to hold another pupil exchange, possibly in 2014 or 2015. And for this, the pupils will need to raise the cash themselves, as they did for the visit in 2010.

Pupils have also raised money for two charities working in Western Uganda – ReTrak, which works with homeless children, and Sanyu Babies' Home.

The teachers took learning and teaching resources with them to

share with the Ugandan children.

Pupils from both schools became penpals, a scheme which Sibford hopes to resurrect, and joined together in an art project.

Mbarara Preparatory School is, like Sibford, a fee-paying school, although parents pay a tiny nominal sum compared with their British counterparts.

For the new scheme, the school will also work with the Mbarara Municipal School, a Government-funded school, with more than 3,000 pupils and class sizes of around 90 children.

International Development Secretary Justine Greening said: "I want every child growing up in Britain today to be able to learn about the world around them; about what life is like for children in other countries, and about the potential of trade and economic development to build a freer, fairer, more prosperous world.

"I am pleased that Sibford School is taking on this excellent opportunity to link with schools in other parts of our world."

The school is one of 5,634 in the UK and overseas taking part.



Sibford School has re-established a link with a school in Uganda to which they donated a weather station identical to their own. The hope to swap data. Pictured is teacher Edward Rossiter with pupils Spencer Farley, Lizzy Hudson and Jess Edwards

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Verdicts from magistrates courts around the county

■ JONATHON KAYE, 29, of High Meadow, Sibford Gower, admitted breaching a non-molestation order between November 26 and 29. Restraining order made and fined £100, a £20 victims' surcharge, and £85 costs.

■ NICHOLAS SUMNERS, 47, of Lodge Terrace, Chipping Norton, admitted breaching a restraining order on December 13 in Chipping Norton. Community order made with a supervision requirement. Also told to do 40 hours of unpaid

community work and pay £40 costs. ■ PETER KENT, 62, of Warwick Road, Banbury, admitted drink-driving in Powys Grove, Banbury, on November 9. Had 60mg of alcohol in 100ml of breath, above the legal limit of 35mg. Fined £165, a £20 victims' surcharge, and £85 costs. Banned from driving for 18 months.

■ JAKE ORWA, 19, of Red Poll Close, Banbury, admitted £100 criminal damage to a fire door glass panel in Old Parr Close, Banbury, on October 29. Given a 12-month conditional discharge, told to pay £200

compensation and £50 costs.

■ LEWIS KEMP, 22, of Orchard Lane, Upper Heyford, admitted drink-driving on the A420, Botley, Oxford, on November 3. Had 77mg of alcohol in 100ml of breath, above the legal limit of 35mg. Fined £500, a £50 victims' surcharge, and £85 costs. Banned from driving for 20 months.

■ JOANNA CANTWELL, 50, of Edward Stone Rise, Chipping Norton, admitted theft by an employee after stealing £4,000 from Sainsbury's in Market Place, Chipping Norton, between December 1, 2011 and April 21. Also admitted stealing £190 from her employer Sainsbury's in Market Place, Chipping Norton, on April 19. Given a three-year conditional discharge and told to pay total compensation of £2,190.

■ MICHAEL OWEN, 49, of Withycombe Drive, Banbury, convicted of assault by beating in Prescott Avenue, Banbury, on May 2. Given a 24-month conditional discharge, told to pay £100 compensation, £150 costs, and a £15 victims' surcharge.



Local bands are urged to compete

THE 2013 Battle of the Band competition is about to kick-off across the county, but more local musicians are being urged to sign up.

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280 officers to be equipped with stun guns to combat rise in attacks

More police to use Tasers



THE number of police officers armed with Tasers will more than double.

Twice as many officers are to be equipped with the 50,000 volt electric-shock guns this year.

Chief Constable Sara Thornton asked a working group to review Thames Valley Police's use of the weapon last year after attacks on police rose

By Ben Wilkinson

from about 160 five years ago, to more than 200 between April 2011 and March 2012.

Currently 205 firearms officers, five per cent of the 4,200-strong force, are trained to use the laser-sighted weapons. Now 280 front-line response officers will be trained and equipped between April and October,

meaning 11 per cent of the force will have Tasers.

The news has led to speculation that every police officer in the Thames Valley could eventually be armed with Tasers.

Andy Viney, secretary of Thames Valley Police Federation, said it was "inevitable" the weapon would be given to every officer in the force.

He said batons caused more serious and lasting injuries, adding: "There is a false perception

because of the shape of the Taser is like a gun. It looks more dangerous than it is. Eventually it will be a piece of kit for every officer. I think it's inevitable."

Supt Tony Ismay, with a Taser at Bicester traffic base OX56629

He said officers would have extensive training and

would be accountable for every use of the Taser.

The force started using the stun-guns in 2004. There are now 170 available to officers, this will increase to 270.

The use of Tasers – short for Thomas A Swift's electric rifle – was authorised 833 times by the force between April 2011 to March 2012 but they were only fired 13 times. They were deployed for 393 incidents involving weapons, 121 threats of self-harm or suicide, and 107 domestic incidents.

The use of Tasers was approved 704 times in 2009/10 but they were only fired 12 times.

Ms Thornton said the Tasers would not be used more than necessary.

She said: "The increase in the number of Taser-trained officers will provide further protection to the communities and officers across Thames Valley Police, as well as providing more officers with the ability to deal with those individuals

who are prepared to use severe levels of violence against others.

"Officers will be specially selected and trained for this role and I am satisfied that the continued use of the Taser device across the force area will only be considered in those cases where it is necessary and proportionate to the behaviour the officers encounter."

When asked whether all officers could be given the guns, she said: "As Chief Constable I have a responsibility to ensure that my officers are equipped to do the difficult job I ask of them.

"It is right that we have increased the availability of Tasers in line with other forces and we will keep our approach under review."

Supt Tony Ismay, head of tactical support, said in the average police force, just under 11.5 per cent of officers had Tasers.

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InBRIEF**Dancing date**

■ A MIDDLE Eastern-themed dance event is to be held to raise cash for a primary school and a charity. The Shimmystastic show will be held at Bloxham School on Sunday, March 24, at 2.30pm. Proceeds will go to the Oxfordshire Sands stillbirth and neonatal death charity and Friends of Bloxham Primary School. Tickets are available from the primary school, call 0780 345983 or click on shimmystasticshow@gmail.com

Fined £50

■ THOMAS Beer, 47, of no fixed address, admitted using threatening, abusive or insulting words or behaviour likely to cause harassment, alarm or distress in Banbury on November 28. Magistrates fined him £50 and ordered he also pay a £15 victims' surcharge.

Thankful mums in the running for OX5 charity

By Katriona Ormiston

A GROUP of mums are running to raise money for the Oxford Children's Hospital, whose staff cared for their loved ones.

The three parents all have children in the same class at Bishop Loveday Church of England Primary School in White Post Road, Banbury.

They will be running the five-mile Blenheim Palace run on March 10, to raise much-needed cash for children's treatment at the Headington hospital.

Sharon Mallinson, who owns a recruitment agency, and nurse, Natalie Flannery, say their daughters have both had their lives changed after operations at the Headington hospital.

And Lucinda Page's baby niece, Scarlott, born three weeks premature in April, is still in and out of hospital being cared for by staff.

Ms Mallinson's six-year-old daughter, Mollie, was partially deaf until she had two operations at the Oxford Children's Hospital.

Ms Mallinson, 43, said: "Her hearing was really muffled but as soon as she had the operation it improved overnight."

"She could hear things like the birds singing, which she never had before."

"It was a struggle for her but we are so grateful she could hear before she started school – so she wasn't hindered too much."

"All the staff were so welcoming and had time for everybody. The amount of pressure they must be under is immense but they don't show it. They just make the children feel comfortable."

Natalie Flannery's five-year-old daughter, Hayley, had sleep apnoea which meant she couldn't breathe properly in her sleep because her tonsils were too big.

She had an operation to remove her tonsils and adenoids, which solved the problem in 2012.

Mrs Flannery, who is a nurse at the Horton Hospital, Banbury, said: "The staff were just fantastic with her and me at ease."

"You are always going to be anxious and worried because your daughter is having an operation but they did what they could."

"And when she came round and was uncomfortable, there was a magician there to cheer all the children up."

Miss Page's nine-month-old niece, Scarlott, spent nine weeks being treated at the special care



Nine-month-old Scarlott Hope-Hancock, with her aunt Lucinda Page, Natalie Flannery and Sharon Mallinson and children Megan Page-Cooper, Hayley Flannery and Mollie Currian OX56628

babies unit of Oxford Children's Hospital before being moved to the Horton Hospital. She was in hospital again over Christmas with bronchitis and is still underweight for her age.

Ms Page, 30, said: "My sister, Sarra, said the staff were brilliant. That's the reason I'm running. She said they were really helpful and understanding. Scarlott is still tiny but it could have been a lot worse."

All three women are from Banbury and will be taking part in the event in March.

A spokesman for the Children's Hospital, Sarah Vaccari, said: "Sharon, Natalie and Lucinda have all got different stories to tell about their experiences at the children's hospital, but they are united by a desire to do something positive and help local children in their hour of need."

"We really hope their stories will inspire others to sign up for the run."

The OX5 Run already has more than 100 people registered.

To enter the race, call 01865 743444.

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NEARLY half of all parishes in Oxfordshire have registered a broadband representative to help boost connectivity.

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Riddle remains as to who is secret knitter



Claire Jarvis, left, and Lesley Wildman, who run the Fibreworks knitting shop in Chipping Norton, where a 'yarn bomber' has been attaching small knitted objects to lampposts and railings OX56645

Town's knitting mystery is just a great yarn...

IT'S the American craze which has taken over Chipping Norton – and many of the townsfolk still don't know who's behind it.

Knitted designs have been appearing across the town, brightening up even the dullest lamppost or railing.

But rather than consider it to be a nuisance, many in Chipping Norton have become proud of their local so-called "yarn bomber".

Yarn bombing – also known as guerrilla knitting – is a street art which involves decorating a public space with patterns made from knitted or crocheted yarn.

The movement began in 2005 in Texas and has since spread around the USA and to London, where there is a yarn bombing community.

Chipping Norton-based artist Liz Teall said: "It's wonderful. Every event is marked out with her decorations and we always look out for them. I don't know who she is but it is lovely that she does this. One or two people do know but they are keeping tightlipped."

For the past few years the yarn bomber has been marking significant dates or events within Chipping Norton's life with

By Damian Fantato

appropriate yarn decorations. This means Armistice Day is marked with woollen poppies littered around the town, festive designs are fixed to the railings around Christmas and bright orange pumpkins are attached to the lampposts at Halloween.

Not much is known about the town's yarn bomber other than she is female and understood to be in her 60s.

One person who claims to know the identity of the yarn bomber is Claire Jarvis, who runs the town's wool shop The Fibreworks, but she would not reveal any names.

She said: "I think it is great that she decorates the town in this fashion. We are really lucky to have her."

"The perception of knitting has changed a lot in recent years and it doesn't have the same elderly image that people used to think it had."

West Oxfordshire District Council spokesman Carys Davies said: "We understand the knitted yarns are popular and enjoyed by local people and visitors. We've had no requests to clear them up."



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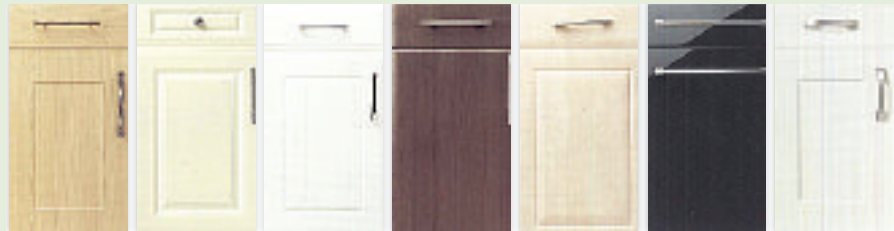


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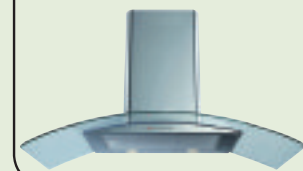


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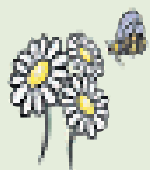
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Rail safety defended

By Mark Taylor

NETWORK Rail has defended its level crossing safety record in the wake of a fatal incident in Oxfordshire.

Thomas Pizzev, 85, from Banbury, was killed on the Sandy Lane line between Yarnton and Kidlington when a Freightliner train struck a car he was travelling in.

This week British Transport Police were still speaking to witnesses in an attempt to discover how the car came to be on the line at the time of impact.

People in the village have said the half barrier at the crossing was often stuck down, and some drivers had tried to drive around it to get across the line.

Calls have now been made to install a full barrier – to stop drivers risking their lives by ignoring the barriers.

Police confirmed that in November Kidlington officers turned traffic away from the crossing when the barrier was stuck down but Network Rail stated there was no recorded fault.

In December, British Transport Police used a purpose-built camera van to keep a close eye on other crossings where drivers and pedestrians were known to chance beating the warning signals and

Call for full barriers at level crossing follows death

barriers, and collated video evidence for prosecutions.

Proposals by the police to move the camera van to Sandy Lane have not yet materialised.

Spokesman Emma Wiggins said: "There is no schedule as to where the enforcement vans go. They are seen as a deterrent more than anything, just for us to keep an eye on things rather than target particular areas."

Network Rail spokesman Kate Snowden said that since April 2009 there were three recorded incidents of misuse at the Sandy Lane crossing – drivers attempting to beat the closing barrier. There were two near misses.

At the nearby Yarnton level crossing the figures were exactly the same.

On Landford Lane, between Bicester Town and Islip, there was a single instance of misuse since 2009, and on the Oddington crossing between Bicester Town and Islip, there was one instance.

At the Tackley level crossing there were five incidents of misuse and four near misses.

She said: "As you can see, the

recorded numbers of misuse and near misses are all low.

"Each crossing is individual and we risk-assess them.

"Wherever the railway meets the road, there is a risk. It is our job to reduce that risk as much as possible, and to do this we look at a number of factors: the speed and frequency of trains, the sighting available."

Yarnton Parish Council chairman Michael Gibbard said: "I believe the safety record of the crossing is excellent. It handles something like 4,000 vehicle movements and there are rarely any problems.

"It has been the case that the barrier has stuck down, but rather than it stay up.

"If Network Rail were to look at changing anything, I think that they should install a full barrier, rather than a half barrier – to stop cars from attempting to zig-zag through."

A full barrier requires CCTV monitoring and operation of the barriers from a signalbox. Network Rail said it had no plans to change the Sandy Lane crossing.



Parish council chairman Michael Gibbard at the level crossing in Sandy Lane, Kidlington

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Let's face it, this is a bleak time of year, but how about sprinkling some graceful winter sparkle on proceedings?

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Tchaikovsky's inspired ballets are at the very heart of Russian culture, and the Moscow City Ballet and Orchestra are famed for their spirited choreography and outstanding virtuoso performances.

The Sleeping Beauty, the evergreen tale of the love of a handsome prince and beautiful princess based on the story by the Brothers Grimm, is a glamorous jewel in their repertoire.

Set on Christmas Eve, *The Nutcracker* has become a wintertime staple, climaxing with the enchanting *Dance Of The Sugar Plum Fairy* with its distinctive and evocative melody line played on the celesta. Artistic director Victor Smirnov-Govolanolov's version of the ballet is infused with an invigorating freshness that is sure to delight.

With beautiful costumes and sets, consummate skill, and the magical



ingredient of Russian soul, this world-class company provides the perfect start to the New Year, and the ideal introduction to ballet for children.

■ Moscow City Ballet perform *The Sleeping Beauty* at Royal & Derngate between Monday, January 21, and Wednesday, January 23, at

7.30pm, with a 2.30pm matinee on Wednesday. *The Nutcracker* is staged from Thursday, January 24, to Saturday, January 26, with a 2.30pm matinee on Saturday. Tickets are priced from £17.50 to £34 and can be booked by calling the box office on 01604 624811 or online at royalandderngate.co.uk



WONDERLAND: *The Nutcracker* and *The Sleeping Beauty*, left

Comedy club raises the bar

As part of a two-pronged attack on the January Blues, Chipping Norton Theatre has stepped up to offer a thoroughly cockle-warming comedy night.

The Cotswold Comedy Club enjoys its first outing tonight (Thursday) with a superb line-up of comedians, each bringing something different to the table.

Tickets are just £10 each, meaning the comedians work out at £3.33 each... which is a fairly mind-boggling bargain. And don't expect to find any second-rate acts – this night offers the chance to take in star-billing names.

Headlining is Patrick Monahan, pictured, the Irish/Iranian comic from Middlesbrough whose travels have swept him to the Adelaide Fringe Comedy Festival 2011 and on to Dubai, Doha, Abu Dhabi, Barbados, St Lucia, St Vincent, Spain, France, Luxembourg, Estonia, Ireland, Germany, finishing up at Edinburgh International Festival and the Royal Albert Hall in London!

Patrick knows how to work a room and engage an audience with a strongly skilled blend of ad lib banter and stand up. He has worked his way up the comedy

circuit ladder and is now a regular MC and headlining act at the top London and UK comedy clubs.

James Mullinger comes straight from his fourth solo stand-up tour which sold out every night on its 2011 and 2012 run, including two nights at London's Roundhouse.

James Mullinger is one of the most sought-after comedians on the international circuit. Having stormed the *Just For Laughs* Festival in Montreal in 2005 and 2006, Mullinger has performed with Jimmy Carr on his DVD 'Stand Up' and also alongside Robin Ince and Rufus Hound on panel show *Street Cred Sudoku*.

Quirky natural Laura Lexx is one of the

most effortless comedians making a splash in the comedy scene today. She indulges her audience with childish glee and attention; described as "upbeat and delightful" (*Chortle*) her shows are never the same twice. A finalist at both the Paramount and

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Resident MC Dave Arnold will compeer and between each of the comedians there will be an interval, a chance to recharge your glass and talk about the acts.

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Silver screen musical with a French melody

LES MISERABLES (12A, 114 mins)
Musical/Drama/Romance. Hugh Jackman, Russell Crowe, Anne Hathaway, Amanda Seyfried, Eddie Redmayne, Samantha Barks, Aaron Tveit, Helena Bonham Carter, Sacha Baron Cohen, Isabelle Allen, Daniel Huttlestone. Director: Tom Hooper.

Tom Hooper, Oscar-winning director of *The King's Speech*, dreamed a dream of immortalising Claude-Michel Schönberg and Alain Boublil's powerhouse musical without the conventional safety net of lip-synching.

That audacious gamble – asking the actors to sing live in every take – pays off handsomely, teasing out the heartbreaking emotion in an adaptation of a stage show which has become a global phenomenon.

The London production of *Les Misérables*, which opened in 1985 to lukewarm reviews, is the longest-running musical in West End history.

Hooper's terrific film embraces the Schönberg and Boublil songbook with bold directorial flourishes and tour-de-force performances, including a *cri de coeur* from Anne Hathaway that virtually guarantees her the Oscar next month.

Hugh Jackman also richly deserves a nomination for his fearless portrayal of a convict, which required the Australian actor to shed 30 pounds to convincingly portray his emaciated hero.

The film begins with a thrilling overture in a dockyard where Valjean (Jackman) and his fellow prisoners haul a ship out of

frothing water under the watchful eye of Inspector Javert (Russell Crowe).

Valjean is granted parole and leaves behind his tormentor but cannot secure employment because of his shameful past.

Only the kindness of a bishop saves him from starvation.

Eight years later, Valjean has reinvented himself as a revered factory owner in Montreuil-sur-Mer, where one of his workers, Fantine (Hathaway), is cruelly cast out when the foreman learns she has an illegitimate daughter, Cosette (Isabelle Allen).

Determined to raise the money to keep her child under the roof of villainous Thenardier (Sacha Baron Cohen) and his wife (Helena Bonham Carter), Fantine sells her hair and then her body as she sobs *I Dreamed a Dream*.

Valjean discovers Fantine close to death and agrees to raise Cosette as his own.

So the story moves on a further nine years with revolutionary fervour sloshing through the grimy streets of Paris, inflamed by students Enjolras (Aaron Tveit) and Marius (Eddie Redmayne).

The latter falls under the spell of Cosette (now played by Amanda Seyfried), unaware that Thenardier's daughter, Eponine (Samantha Barks), adores him from afar...

Les Misérables is a towering achievement in front of and behind the camera.

With the benefit of live singing, Hooper doesn't have to photograph set pieces from afar, capturing the political turmoil as actors sing their hearts out in lip-quivering close-up.



French students incite revolution in a scene from the film *Les Misérables*

The cast is superb – Barks breaks hearts with her knockout rendition of *On My Own* and Redmayne matches her note for soaring note.

Only Crowe is miscast.

His soft, sweet vocals render Javert somewhat impotent next to Jackman's booming delivery.

Bonham Carter and Baron Cohen provide stomach-churning comic relief.

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ARIES

Mar 21-Apr 19

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LIBRA

Sep 23-Oct 22

Work and play clash and you may find yourself having to make sacrifices in both in order to please several faces at once. Family are demanding but for a good reason and this would be a good week for you to try to set the wheels of motion for more support for those who can't cope. Give me a call now to hear why love and romance may mean you telling a white lie.

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TAURUS

Apr 20-May 20

Commitments which others want you to make may not fit in with your plans and you may have to let down someone who wants to rely on you. As long as you stick to truths and not lies then you will keep their respect, but offer silly excuses and they'll find you out. The home comes under the spotlight for a gathering where a major life decision is made. Ring now to uncover a secret.

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SCORPIO

Oct 23-Nov 21

If there is news to be shared then you are the sign who will be spreading it but just make sure you are aware of who your words could damage. Fun times mean fair times to others and to yourself. You could start by saying what you really want from 'that' relationship. Don't you think Scorpio? Give me a call now to hear why it's worth trying again where before you've failed.

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GEMINI

May 21-Jun 20

New flirtations are getting very interesting and although you may brush them off and claim they mean nothing, others are getting very different ideas. A habit you have had difficulty breaking has the backing of the stars this week so buckle down and try again. This could be the time you make a break through. Give me a call now to hear how Venus brings family closer together again.

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SAGITTARIUS

Nov 22-Dec 21

A new face who is affecting your life has done a lot to build up your confidence. The reason you question who you are and what you want has a lot to do with your past and counselling of some sort should help you to lift recent pressures. For the sign who listens to others you are not allowing yourself the same grace, but you should. Give me a call to hear how Mercury breaks up a party.

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CANCER

Jun 21-Jul 22

Stop being your own worst task master. Why don't you try enjoying the benefits of your hard work rather than giving yourself such a hard time? If there is not time to celebrate then what use is all of the hard work? A celebration you hear about gives you reason to question your own life as does the Moon on Friday when a change of heart could change your life. Ring now so I can tell you more.

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CAPRICORN

Dec 22-Jan 19

Teaching and education is well started right now and your chart shows you have the ability to make some really good money this year if you are willing to commit to learning the things which can help you and if you are willing to invest in yourself rather than others for a change. A flirtation dies this week but this will be doing you a bigger favour than you realise. Ring now to hear about your future.

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LEO

Jul 23-Aug 22

Any contacts or dealings which link to overseas or far away can put a really big smile on your face. Many of you lions will this week be getting confirmation that you can travel away in 2013 and that your life is not just about where you've been but about where you're going too. Help you give to a family member is more appreciated than you know even though they haven't said it. Ring now for insight.

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AQUARIUS

Jan 20-Feb 18

Make sure that others are not mistaking your humour for cheek. On the other hand Aquarius, you could also avoid humour with those you know have been through the mill of late. Someone you know may have to stay with you or need more of your time than usual this week. You can support each other for a change. Give me a call now to reach beyond your dreams.

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VIRGO

Aug 23-Sep 22

Words have been said which will be regretted and you now find yourself having to decide what to do next. That depends my friend on what you want to happen next. I know you think you have missed your chance to make peace but you haven't. Trust in your feelings on Wednesday when you can right any wrongs. Give me a call now to hear how Uranus backs you in your dreams.

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PISCES

Feb 19-Mar 20

Your house of work is under much strain this month but this is only a bad thing if you are not coping with it well. You're actually one of the signs who can do anything that they set their mind to so it's all about getting yourself prepared and having a game plan. Mercury makes it hard for you to get to places promptly on Friday so leave extra time. Ring now so I can pamper your ego.

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Evo-Stik Southern Football League, Premier Division

Martin leads the way to victory



Wayne Blossom

BANBURY United edged further away from the Premier Division relegation zone with a superb victory at Bideford on Saturday.

Goals from Marvin Martin and Wayne Blossom made it a comfortable day, with Bideford's goal coming in stoppage time.

The hosts should have taken an early lead as Sean Downing shot wide.

Blossom and Ryan Plowright went close for Banbury, before they went ahead in the 33rd minute.

A late throw from Albi Skendi was helped on at the near post to Martin, who struck

Bideford

(Andrew 90)

Banbury Utd

(Martin 33, Blossom 55)

the ball low into the corner of the net.

Martin had an excellent chance to make it 2-0, but could not beat Bideford keeper Tim Sandercombe.

The Puritans doubled their lead in the 55th minute.

Ryan Plowright put Adeyinka Talabi clear, and although Sandercombe got there first, the ball rebounded to Blossom,

1 who lofted it into the unguarded net from 25 yards.

With new new signing – ex-

West Ham United academy player Kenzer Lee – combining well with George Allen at the centre of defence, Banbury kept Bideford at bay.

The hosts eventually netted in the fifth minute of injury time through Matt Andrew.

Banbury Utd: Kidd, Cray, Ashton, Lee, Allen, Martin, Plowright (Lait 67), Agveman-Prempeh, Skendi, Blossom, Talabi (Simpson 87). Subs not used: Dumbleton, Plowright, Shariff.

Attendance: 191.

Prodrive Minis rev up for Ukraine rally customers

ENGINEERS at Prodrive in Banbury are building two Mini rally cars for the Ukraine-based Mentos Acania Racing Team.

The team will run two Mini John Cooper Works S2000 cars in the WRC 2 and this year's Ukrainian national championship.

Both cars are being built to the latest specification and will leave Prodrive's workshops in Banbury at the end of this month.

Drivers Valery Gorban and Oleksii Kikireshko will debut their cars at Rally Sweden next month and will compete in the championship with full engineering and technical support from Prodrive.

The team is not new to the World Rally Championship, having competed in last year's Production Car World Rally Championship, where Gorban finished third in the series and secured victory on the Acropolis.

Graham Prew, senior sales manager at Prodrive, said: "The team considered all the latest world rally cars, but chose the Mini after driving the car and visiting the factory.

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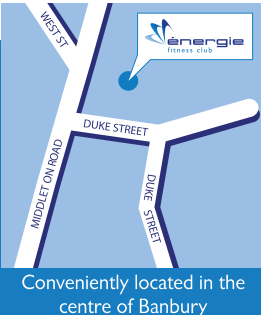
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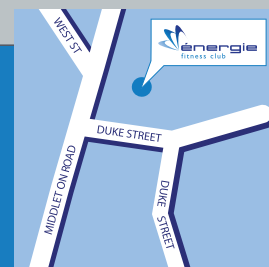
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